

Jefferson	Moran (VA)	Shuster
John	Murtha	Sisisky
Johnson, E.B.	Ney	Slaughter
Kanjorski	Northup	Smith (TX)
Kingston	Nussle	Souder
Klink	Ortiz	Spence
Knollenberg	Ose	Stark
Kucinich	Oxley	Stenholm
LaHood	Packard	Talent
Lampson	Pease	Tauscher
Lantos	Pelosi	Taylor (MS)
Largent	Peterson (PA)	Thomas
Larson	Phelps	Thornberry
Latham	Pickett	Tiahrt
Lazio	Pomeroy	Tierney
Leach	Porter	Trafficant
Lee	Pryce (OH)	Upton
Lewis (CA)	Regula	Vitter
Lofgren	Reyes	Walsh
Lowey	Riley	Wamp
Lucas (OK)	Rodriguez	Watkins
Maloney (CT)	Rogan	Watts (OK)
Maloney (NY)	Ros-Lehtinen	Weiner
Mascara	Ryun (KS)	Weldon (PA)
McCrery	Sabo	Weller
Meeks (NY)	Sanchez	Whitfield
Mica	Sandin	Wicker
Miller, Gary	Schakowsky	Wilson
Miller, George	Scott	Wise
Moakley	Shaw	Wolf
Mollohan	Sherwood	Young (FL)
Moran (KS)	Shimkus	

NOT VOTING—17

Allen	Kasich	Simpson
Baldwin	Kuykendall	Sununu
Brown (CA)	McDermott	Sweeney
Combest	Meek (FL)	Tauzin
Davis (VA)	Rivers	Thurman
Hastings (FL)	Scarborough	

□ 1924

Ms. SANCHEZ changed her vote from “aye” to “no.”

So the amendment was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. SIMPSON. Mr. Chairman, on rollcall No. 282, the Sanders Amendment; I was inadvertently detained. Had I been present, I would have voted “aye.”

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. COBURN

The CHAIRMAN. The pending business is the request for a recorded vote on the amendment offered by the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) on which further proceedings were postponed and on which the noes prevailed by voice vote.

The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The Clerk designated the amendment.

RECORDED VOTE

The CHAIRMAN. A recorded vote has been demanded.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The CHAIRMAN. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 131, noes 287, not voting 16, as follows:

[Roll No. 283]

AYES—131

Aderholt	Barton	Burr
Archer	Bass	Burton
Armey	Berry	Buyer
Bachus	Biggert	Callahan
Baker	Bilbray	Campbell
Baldacci	Biiley	Cannon
Ballenger	Boehner	Chabot
Barr	Brady (TX)	Chambliss
Bartlett	Bryant	Chenoweth

Coble	Herger	Radanovich
Coburn	Hill (MT)	Ramstad
Collins	Hilleary	Riley
Conyers	Hoekstra	Rogan
Cook	Hostettler	Rohrabacher
Cox	Hulshof	Royce
Crane	Hunter	Ryan (WI)
Cubin	Hutchinson	Ryun (KS)
Cunningham	Isakson	Salmon
Deal	Istook	Sanford
DeLay	Jenkins	Schaffer
DeMint	Johnson, Sam	Sensenbrenner
Dickey	Jones (NC)	Sessions
Doolittle	Klink	Shadegg
Doyle	LaHood	Sisisky
Duncan	Largent	Skelton
Ehrlich	Lazio	Smith (MI)
Emerson	Linder	Souder
Everett	Luther	Stearns
Foley	Manzullo	Stenholm
Fossella	Mascara	Stump
Franks (NJ)	McHugh	Talent
Gekas	McIntosh	Tancred
Gibbons	Metcalf	Taylor (NC)
Goode	Mica	Terry
Goodlatte	Miller, Gary	Thornberry
Goodling	Moran (KS)	Thune
Graham	Myrick	Tiahrt
Gutknecht	Norwood	Toomey
Hall (TX)	Paul	Turner
Hansen	Petri	Upton
Hastings (WA)	Pickering	Weldon (FL)
Hayes	Pitts	Weller
Hayworth	Pombo	Young (AK)
Hefley	Portman	

NOES—287

Abercrombie	Dingell	John
Ackerman	Dixon	Johnson (CT)
Andrews	Doggett	Johnson, E.B.
Baird	Dooley	Jones (OH)
Barcia	Dreier	Kanjorski
Barrett (NE)	Dunn	Kaptur
Barrett (WI)	Edwards	Kelly
Bateman	Ehlers	Kennedy
Becerra	Engel	Kildee
Bentsen	English	Kilpatrick
Bereuter	Eshoo	Kind (WI)
Berkley	Etheridge	King (NY)
Berman	Evans	Kingston
Bilirakis	Ewing	Klecza
Bishop	Farr	Knollenberg
Blagojevich	Fattah	Kolbe
Blumenauer	Filner	Kucinich
Blunt	Fletcher	LaFalce
Boehrlert	Forbes	Lampson
Bonilla	Ford	Lantos
Bonior	Fowler	Larson
Bono	Frank (MA)	Latham
Borski	Frelinghuysen	LaTourette
Boswell	Frost	Leach
Boucher	Gallegly	Lee
Boyd	Ganske	Levin
Brady (PA)	Gejdenson	Lewis (CA)
Brown (FL)	Gephardt	Lewis (GA)
Brown (OH)	Gilchrest	Lewis (KY)
Calvert	Gillmor	Lipinski
Camp	Gilman	LoBiondo
Canady	Gonzalez	Lofgren
Capps	Gordon	Lowey
Capuano	Goss	Lucas (KY)
Cardin	Granger	Lucas (OK)
Carson	Green (TX)	Maloney (CT)
Castle	Green (WI)	Maloney (NY)
Clay	Greenwood	Markey
Clayton	Gutierrez	Martinez
Clement	Hall (OH)	Matsui
Clyburn	Hill (IN)	McCarthy (MO)
Condit	Hilliard	McCarthy (NY)
Cooksey	Hinchee	McCollum
Costello	Hinojosa	McCrery
Coyne	Hobson	McGovern
Cramer	Hoeffel	McInnis
Crowley	Holden	McIntyre
Cummings	Holt	McKeon
Danner	Hooley	McKinney
Davis (FL)	Horn	McNulty
Davis (IL)	Houghton	Meehan
DeFazio	Hoyer	Meeks (NY)
DeGette	Hyde	Menendez
Delahunt	Inslee	Millender
DeLauro	Jackson (IL)	McDonald
Deutsch	Jackson-Lee	Miller (FL)
Diaz-Balart	(TX)	Miller, George
Dicks	Jefferson	Minge

Mink	Regula	Stupak
Moakley	Reyes	Tanner
Mollohan	Reynolds	Tauscher
Moore	Rodriguez	Taylor (MS)
Moran (VA)	Roemer	Thomas
Morella	Rogers	Thompson (CA)
Murtha	Ros-Lehtinen	Thompson (MS)
Nadler	Rothman	Tierney
Napolitano	Roukema	Towns
Neal	Roybal-Allard	Trafficant
Nethercutt	Rush	Udall (CO)
Ney	Sabo	Udall (NM)
Northup	Sanchez	Velazquez
Nussle	Sanders	Vento
Oberstar	Sandin	Visclosky
Obey	Sawyer	Vitter
Olver	Saxton	Walden
Ortiz	Schakowsky	Walsh
Ose	Scott	Wamp
Owens	Serrano	Waters
Oxley	Shaw	Watkins
Packard	Shays	Watt (NC)
Pallone	Sherman	Watts (OK)
Pascarell	Sherwood	Waxman
Pastor	Shimkus	Weiner
Payne	Shows	Weldon (PA)
Pease	Shuster	Wexler
Pelosi	Simpson	Weygand
Peterson (MN)	Skeen	Whitfield
Peterson (PA)	Slaughter	Wicker
Phelps	Smith (NJ)	Wilson
Pickett	Smith (TX)	Wise
Pomeroy	Smith (WA)	Wolf
Porter	Snyder	Woolsey
Price (NC)	Spence	Wu
Pryce (OH)	Spratt	Wynn
Quinn	Stabenow	Young (FL)
Rahall	Stark	
Rangel	Strickland	

NOT VOTING—16

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Davis (VA)	Rivers	
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□ 1933

Mr. LATHAM changed his vote from “aye” to “no.”

So the amendment was rejected.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

Mr. KUYKENDALL. Mr. Chairman, I was unavoidably detained and missed rollcall vote No. 282, on the Sanders Amendment No. 13. Had I been here, I would have voted “aye.”

Mr. Speaker, I was unavoidably detained and missed rollcall vote No. 283, on the Coburn Amendment No. 2. Had I been here, I would have voted “no.”

Mr. REGULA. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word.

For the Members' information, what we plan to do is to rise from the Committee temporarily so that we can file Treasury Post Office, and we will then reconvene.

We have about four amendments that I think will be noncontroversial. We will try to get those out of the way, and that will conclude the business for the evening. There will be no more votes today.

Mr. Chairman, I move that the Committee do now rise.

The motion was agreed to.

Accordingly, the Committee rose; and the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. LAHOOD) having assumed the chair, Mr. LATOURETTE, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole House on the State

of the Union, reported that that Committee, having had under consideration the bill (H.R. 2466) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, had come to no resolution thereon.

REPORT ON H.R. 2490, TREASURY, POSTAL SERVICE, AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

Mr. KOLBE, from the Committee on Appropriations, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 106-231) on the bill (H.R. 2490) making appropriations for the Treasury Department, the United States Postal Service, the Executive Office of the President, and certain Independent Agencies, for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, which was referred to the Union Calendar and ordered to be printed.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under clause 1 of rule XXI, all points of order against provisions in the bill are reserved.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2000

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to House Resolution 243 and rule XVIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2466.

□ 1936

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2466) making appropriations for the Department of the Interior and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and for other purposes, with Mr. LATOURETTE in the chair.

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN. When the Committee of the Whole rose earlier today, the amendment offered by the gentleman from Oklahoma (Mr. COBURN) had been disposed of. The bill has been read through line 6 of page 21.

AMENDMENT OFFERED BY MR. GEORGE MILLER OF CALIFORNIA

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Chairman, I offer an amendment and I ask unanimous consent that it be considered at this time.

The CHAIRMAN. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from California?

There was no objection.

The Clerk read as follows:

Amendment offered by Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California:

Insert before the short title the following new section:

SEC. ____ None of the funds appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used to directly construct timber access roads in the National Forest System.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Chairman, I am pleased to be joined by the gentleman from California (Mr. HORN) and the gentleman from Washington (Mr. INSLEE) in offering this amendment. This is intended to be a friendly amendment, one that is consistent with the committee's recommendation in its report on page 91.

After many years of debate and close votes on this floor, this amendment would put the House clearly on record to end the controversial practice of using taxpayer subsidies to construct roads for commercial timber sales on national forest land. It is a straightforward amendment.

Mr. Chairman, the taxpayers have helped construct over 483,000 miles of authorized roads in our national forests. That is a road system that is eight times, eight times longer than the interstate highway system, enough to circle the globe 15 times. While the administration has been happy to request and Congress has been happy to provide funding for new road construction in the past years, we have not been very adept at providing funds for maintaining existing roads.

As a result, the Forest Service estimates that there is a backlog of \$8.4 million in capital improvements needed on forest roads for heavily used passenger vehicles. Less than 20 percent of the roads are being maintained to the safety and design standards.

Under Secretary Jim Lyons and Forest Service Chief Mike Dombeck have testified repeatedly before Congress that it is fiscally and environmentally irresponsible to keep building new roads when they do not have the budget to address the annual maintenance needs or begin to address the backlog of maintenance on the existing road system. While I appreciate the committee has provided a \$19 million increase in road maintenance, that is still much less than the \$500 million annually needed that the agency estimates is necessary to catch up with the backlog of needs.

Recognizing that they have a major problem on their hands, the Forest Service is in the midst of an 18-month moratorium on new road construction in roadless areas in most national forests. The purpose of this time-out is to develop a long-term road policy and identify nonessential roads and those roads that should be reconstructed and maintained for safe and environmentally sound practices.

In my view, the remaining roadless areas in our national forests are vital reserves and must be maintained for clean water, fish and wildlife habitat, low-impact recreation, and wilderness values. I have joined with the gentleman from New York (Mr. HINCHEY),

the gentleman from Washington (Mr. INSLEE), and the gentleman from California (Mr. HORN), along with 162 of our colleagues, in urging the administration to come up with long-term protections of these critical roadless areas.

In closing, I wish to recognize the chairman, the gentleman from Ohio (Mr. REGULA), and the ranking member, the gentleman from Washington (Mr. DICKS), for their work in the committee report to resolve what has been a contentious issue in past years. I also want to acknowledge the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. PORTER) and our former colleague, Mr. Joe Kennedy, who were pioneers in this effort to reduce taxpayer subsidies to timber roads.

Mr. Chairman, I urge the adoption of this amendment.

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word and to engage the author of the amendment, the gentleman from California (Mr. GEORGE MILLER), in a colloquy.

I would like to ask the gentleman from California if he could help me clarify his amendment. Is it the gentleman's intention that his amendment apply only to appropriations for direct construction of timber access roads and not to any of the necessary planning, engineering, management, and support activities conducted by the agency?

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Chairman, will the gentleman yield?

Mr. DICKS. I yield to the gentleman from California.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Chairman, I would say to the gentleman that he is correct.

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Chairman, reclaiming my time, if the amendment is written to specifically target only appropriations for direct construction of timber access roads, I am pleased to support it. What I believe the gentleman is trying to accomplish is codification of the language already contained in the interior appropriations report on this matter.

For clarification, this amendment addresses the issue of appropriations for direct construction of timber access roads and does not affect the other necessary planning, engineering, management, and support activities of the Federal land management agencies. It will also not reduce or prohibit any funding which enables the agency to comply with necessary environmental regulations such as the Endangered Species Act, the Clean Water Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

Mr. GEORGE MILLER of California. Mr. Chairman, if the gentleman will continue to yield, I would say the gentleman is correct.

Mr. DICKS. Mr. Chairman, I would like to submit for the RECORD information regarding the Urban Park and Recreation Fund.